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TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO HIM'S INDEPENDENCE DAY MESSAGE TO  
PRESIDENT NIXON

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO TRANSMIT FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO  
THE EMPEROR. QTE YOUR IMPERIAL MAJESTY: HE ONE  
HUNDRED AND NINETY-EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR INDEPENDENCE  
AS A NATION IS ENRICHED BY YOUR KIND MESSAGE OF GRATULATIONS,  
A MESSAGE FOR WHICH I, AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE  
AMERICAN PEOPLE, THANK YOU. RICHARD NIXON. UNQTE

2. THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS SENT TO THE WHITE HOUSE ON  
JULY 3: QTE THE PRESIDENT, THE WHITE HOUSE: IT IS WITH  
IMMENSE PLEASURE THAT WE EXTEND TO YOUR EXCELLENCY THE  
GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OUR  
SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF THE INDEPENDENCE  
ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR COUNTRY. WE TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
WISH YOUR EXCELLENCY THE BEST OF HEALTH AND YOUR GREAT AND  
FRIENDLY COUNTRY EVER GROWING PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY. WE  
ALSO WISH YOU WELL IN YOUR EFFORTS WHICH ARE DIRECTED FOR  
THE PROMOTION OF THE CAUSE OF PEACE TO THE WORLD.

HAILE SELASSIE, EMPEROR. UNQTE

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3. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN RELEASE TEXT OF MESSAGE BUT  
HAS NO OBJECTION IF HOST GOVERNMENT WISHES TO DO SO. INGERSOLL

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